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Lord Kitchener, in another dispatch, reports that the Boers attacked the post near Robertson. The British casualties were three killed, five wounded and thirteen taken prisoners. The men have since been released.

The Boers raided the Riverton road station on December 11th. They are being followed up.

Will He Escape? London, Dec. 12.—Gen. Kitchener's message indicates that Dewet has again evaded Knox. After the latter had followed the Boer general at Komassie drift, the Boers seemed to have doubled back, crossed the Caledon river elsewhere and turned thence northeast in the direction of Reddersburg, the memorable scene of the British disaster in April, when the same commander captured the Irish Rifles.

Canadians Sailed. Liverpool, Dec. 12.—The British steamer Lake Champlain, which sailed hence this morning for Halifax, had on board companies A, B and I of the Royal Canadian Regiment, forming the contingent which has been in England for about a fortnight on its way home from South Africa.

Czar and Kruger. The Hague, Dec. 12.—The Transvaal legation said it is authorized to contradict the report that Emperor Nicholas has telegraphed to Mr. Kruger an intimation that he will not receive him.

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Government Determined to Pursue the War With Strongest Force Necessary.

Supplementary Estimates of Sixteen Million Pounds Adopted—Broderick's Statement.

London, Dec. 11.—The House of Commons went into committee of supply today and William Broderick, secretary of state for war, introduced the supplementary estimates of £16,000,000 for the army.

He admitted that the government's expectation had not been over-sanguine, and it anticipated that the expenditure to March 1st would be little short of the outlay the government has been incurring during the whole fiscal year.

Sir William Wilson, Liberal, expressed the opinion that the House had not heard a more distressing confession. Although his original opinion of the circumstances leading to the unhappy war was not altered, he would not oppose the vote.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said that the secretary of state for war had made a frank statement as to a new condition of affairs, and he expressed the hope that the government would bring home the volunteers.

Mr. Broderick replied that it would be impossible to give an engagement to give any pledge on that point as Lord Kitchener must be kept supplied with many mounted men.

Henry Labouchere expressed the opinion that the guerrilla warfare in South Africa might last for years.

The supplementary estimates of £16,000,000 were adopted by a vote of 284 against 8.

The House having gone into a committee of ways and means, the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, explained that the existing borrowing powers of the chamberlain were exhausted only to-day.

Mr. Henry Campbell-Bannerman expressed his approval of the resolution, which was agreed to. The committee then rose and the House adjourned.

The minority of eight against the vote included Messrs. Kitchener, Lloyd George and Balfour.

It is now certain that the session will terminate on Saturday.

STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHERS. Chicago, Dec. 10.—Officials of the Santa Fe system claim that the telegraphers strike on their lines is practically over, and point to the fact that almost without exception their passengers train were on time to-day.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 10.—A message received to-day by Mr. Newman, general chief of the Santa Fe telegraphers, from H. B. Perham, St. Louis, where the headquarters of the strike entirely satisfactory.

President Dolph is in Galveston personally directing affairs. Our success assured beyond doubt if men stand firm. Ninety-nine per cent. of the men on the Santa Fe Pacific, Southern California Valley Line, and the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe are out, and 95 per cent. of the Santa Fe proper.

It is absolutely necessary that all men stay out to the end, for defeat at this time would mean the abolition of the schedule on the whole Santa Fe system.

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PROPOSED MEMORIAL. Scheme Will Be Submitted to a Public Meeting on Tuesday.

A meeting of the patriotic memorial committee was held yesterday afternoon at the city hall. There were present, in addition to the Mayor, Rev. Canon Beaudry, Rev. E. S. Rowe, Major Williams, C. H. Lugin, S. Perry Mills, W. Ridgway Wilson and George Jeeves.

At this meeting the memorial sub-committee's report was submitted, but it was decided not to publish the plan recommended until the committee has its details more complete. It is conceded, however, that the plan which will be submitted to a public meeting on Tuesday will meet with general approval.

The committee appointed to look into the proposal to erect an annex to some charitable institution as a memorial, reported as follows:

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 11, 1900. To the Chairman and Members of the Committee on Memorials:

Gentlemen:—Your sub-committee appointed to consider the suggestion to establish an infirmary as a suitable way of commemorating the brave deeds of our countrymen in South Africa, beg to report that we have placed ourselves in communication with certain benevolent gentlemen who are endeavoring to provide the funds for an institution of this kind, as one of the necessary adjuncts to the city's charities, and find that to meet present wants \$10,000 would be required, viz. \$4,000 for the land, and \$6,000 for the building and furniture.

Their definition of this proposal is that it is to be "a hospital or place where the infirm or sick are lodged and nursed gratuitously, and where out patients are treated," and their suggestions for maintaining the same are: First, grants from the provincial government, and per capita payments, as at present to the Jubilee hospital; second, grants from the civic authorities, or per capita payments; third, public subscriptions, donations, entertainments, etc.

While fully admitting the urgent necessity for an institution for the relief of the sick and infirm poor of Victoria, your committee are not prepared to advise that the proposed memorial should take that form. Respectfully submitted,

W. LESLIE CLAY, S. FERRY MILLS, CHARLES HAYWARD, Sub-Committee.

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Sailed For England

Field Marshal Lord Roberts Left Capetown on Steamer Canada Yesterday.

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Will Take No Steps. The Hague, Dec. 11.—The Dutch government to-day finally and definitely refused to take the initiative in behalf of arbitration between the Transvaal and Great Britain.

Roberts's Powers. London, Dec. 12.—The information drawn from Mr. Broderick in the House of Commons yesterday, that the powers of Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief would be the same as those of Lord Wolseley, calls out from the Daily Mail a strong protest. The Daily Mail says that with Lord Roberts as a lay figure, liable to be overruled by the minister of war, real army reforms are quite improbable.

It is said in the lobby of the House of Commons that General Ian Hamilton, who is returning with Lord Roberts, will receive a high appointment in the war office.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS. No trace has been found of the thieves who stole several relics of Lord Nelson, including his watch and many of his medals, from Greenwich hospital. The thief in Greenwich is that the deprecators were French, owing to the alleged discovery of a letter in broken English left behind, in which the writer promised to return and carry off a French flag which is among the relics.

Liberal. Col. Hughes sent to the Montreal city council on Monday a letter containing his resignation as chief of police owing to ill-health and undesired attacks upon his administration. The letter was laid upon the table, but will be accepted.

THE PASSING THROUGH.

Arrivals of the Day at City Hotels—Gossip of the Corridors.

E. A. Wyld, of the Bank of British Columbia, will leave to-morrow evening for Portland, Ore. Mr. Wyld has for some years occupied the position of assistant manager of the bank, and leaves for the purpose of taking charge of the Bank of British Columbia in Portland.

Capt. Tatlow, M. P., came over from Vancouver last evening for the purpose of joining the delegation of lumber men who interviewed the government to-day on the question of the rebate on lumber exported from this province.

Mr. Dallas Heintzen, who has been ill for some time, is confined to the St. Joseph's hospital. The crowded state of the Jubilee hospital did not admit of his being received there.

Mrs. R. M. Glass and Miss Watson, of Vancouver, after making an enjoyable trip to San Francisco, arrived in the city to-day and registered at the Victoria.

Rev. Bishop Orth, after attending the consecration of the new Catholic cathedral at Vancouver, arrived in the city on the steamer Charming last evening.

Mr. B. Hussey, of the White Pass and Yukon Railway, arrived in the city from the Drift yesterday and registered at the Drift.

Chris. Spencer started for Europe last evening, travelling via steamer Rosalia and the Great Northern Railway.

Rev. H. H. Gowen and Mrs. Gowen were among the passengers from the Sound yesterday afternoon.

Dr. F. G. Moody has returned after spending the greater part of the summer in the interior.

Rev. E. G. Taylor and Rev. T. R. Wilson, both of South Wellington, are guests at the Hotel Victoria.

Thomas Kidd, M. P., and M. O. Wilkinson, of Nanaimo, are guests at the Oriental hotel.

C. Wurtele, general agent for the Great Northern Railway Company, left last night for Seattle.

Sam. Hall, agent of "A Stranger in a Strange Land" company, is staying at the Drift.

W. G. Mackenzie arrived in the city the other day and is a guest at the Drift hotel.

J. Carmichael and R. Jamieson were passengers from the Sound yesterday afternoon.

Rev. P. Whittington and Rev. M. Robson arrived from Vancouver last evening.

Rev. Hildebrand and Rev. Father Seez arrived from the Mainland last evening.

A. Lucas and H. Salmon were among the arrivals from Vancouver last evening.

M. J. Corrigan, of Port Angeles, is registered at the Drift hotel.

Capt. D. Gilmore, of Seattle, is staying at the Hotel Victoria.

Mrs. Capt. Jorgenson arrived from the Sound yesterday.

A. C. Finmerfelt arrived from Vancouver last evening.

THE BEST PLASTER. A piece of flannel dipped with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

The terrible consequences of an old woman smoking in bed were disclosed at an inquest in Mackay. Susan Webb Heckenham, 67, the victim, a wife merchant's widow, was found burned and suffocated in her bed. She had been secretly smoking a pipe. The coroner observed that many more women smoked than most people suspected. "Accidental death," was the verdict.

A GOOD STOMACH.

Is essential to health and happiness, but don't blame the stomach for biliousness. It is the liver that is deranged, and causes indigestion, headache and irregular action of the bowels. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills regulate the liver, kidneys and bowels, and by their direct action on these organs effect prompt and lasting cures of biliousness, dyspepsia, headache and all kidney ailments. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box, at all dealers.

THE MAKERS OF BOOKS.

There can be no question that public events at home and abroad have seriously affected the sale of books during the past year. The other day one of the most popular of living novelists declared that the war had reduced his income at least 50 per cent., and what is true of him must be true of others. Yet the makers of books write as diligently as if wars and political tumults were unknown and the great indifferent public were waiting eagerly to buy and read each new work. Perhaps it is with literature as with circus: the pleasure of literary composition may be its own reward. At any rate, demand or no demand, literary toilers go on producing. Authors are probably the most sanguine race in existence; and it has to be added that publishers are hardly less hopeful.

The Publishers' Circular.

The common crow is one of the slowest of our flying birds, and yet it can keep up with ease a constant average speed of about thirty miles an hour.

THE GENERAL SEAVENGER BUSINESS formerly carried on by the late Ed. Lines will in future be carried on by Mrs. Ed. Lines, who wishes to thank customers for their past favors, and hopes they will continue their patronage.

F. J. BITTENCOURT, 91 YATES STREET.

NEW CROCKERYWARE. A new lot of crockeryware just received and will be retained at wholesale prices. Call and examine. Fred's Curiosity Shop.

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Nourishes, strengthens, sustains and refreshes; is very palatable, and may be borne by the most enfeebled stomach; never produces constipation, but, on the contrary, it aids digestion and assimilation, removing fatigue, and improving the appetite.

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It tones up the stomach, gives healthy, vigorous action to body and brain. Enriches the blood, steadies the nerves and energizes the whole system.

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Evening Dress-Suits, Tuxedo Coats, Smoking Jackets.

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Sweethearts And Wives

A handsome Tailor-made Smoking Jacket would be thoroughly appreciated, and is likewise a fitting remembrance to your sweetheart or husband of the festive season.

A complete assortment of Fancy Vests now in stock, also Ladies' and Gentlemen's presentation Umbrellas.

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A Spirited Debate

The Question of War vs. Arbitration Dealt With in Able Speeches.

Closing Meeting of Local Council of Women—"Individuality in Dress"

The sixth annual session of the Local Council of Women was concluded last evening by a public meeting of a very successful character.

The report showed the organization to be in a very flourishing condition, the membership having increased in a very short time from 14 to 54.

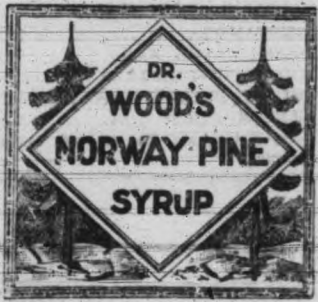
A very interesting paper, written by Lydia Avery Ward, was read by Mrs. R. L. Day, on "Individuality in Dress."

This paper has attracted considerable attention in the East, and is of a character of a very high order.

The speaker pointed out that when fashion selected for men's repertory of dress some object of personal adornment for the ladies, she decided upon the most uncomfortable and inartistic article possible.

The speaker also severely censured the wearing of mourning. Dotted veils, constituting for each dot \$5 for the oculist, also received some critical attention.

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their attire was more artistic and moderate than that of the opposite sex.

Dr. Wilson objected to the unequalled censure of the mourning dress. While crepe may be necessary, still some indication was needed for protection from the elements.

The next feature of the evening, and probably the piece de resistance, was the debate on War versus Arbitration.

The first speaker was Dr. Wilson, who dealt with his subject from a moral and local standpoint.

C. H. Lutzra having been under the impression that he was to read a paper did not reach directly to Dr. Wilson.

gions of the inefficiency of arbitration in certain cases. It would not have been adequate in the United States and Spanish war, because the American people demanded war.

The next speaker was D. S. Tait, who, on behalf of arbitration, deprecated the statement of the preceding speaker that resort to arms was necessary to avenge national dishonor.

The moral weight of the powers in favor could enforce the decrees of the tribunal should a nation Spanish war occur.

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Food is the body-restorer. In health, you want nothing but food; and your baby wants nothing but food.

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On Friday evening next Rev. S. E. Rowe lectures on "Christian Socialism," under the auspices of the Federated societies board.

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Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Wholesale or retail, by sack or gallon. Apply New England Hotel.

A social was held on Monday evening last by the Young People's Society of the Centennial Methodist church at the residence of the president of the society, Miss Mabel Davey, Burnside road.

A dispatch to the Times yesterday afternoon stated that a house in process of moving at Wellington had broken through a bridge.

The concert given by the Sunday school of the Metropolitan Methodist church last evening in aid of the Twentieth Century fund, was a great success.

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its here, where he has been prominent and active in athletic circles. He carries with him to his new field the respect and esteem of all.

The meeting of the British Columbia Agricultural Association has been postponed to December 27th, in order to comply with the requirements of the act.

A very successful sale of work took place yesterday afternoon and evening in the Temperance hall, Pandora street, under the auspices of Perseverance Lodge, I. O. G. T.

The young people of Victoria West have spared no pains in arranging for the concert to be given in Semple's hall to-morrow in aid of the Victoria West Athletic Association.

Miss Zoe Bucknam Song, Miss Armon Recitation, Miss Penzell Violin Solo, Miss Grant Song, J. G. Brown Song, Miss Armon Recitation, H. J. Cave Song, Rev. W. Barber Violin Solo, C. C. Chambers Song, Miss McKenzie Song, J. G. Brown Song, Miss Grant Club Singing, Miss Armon Song, Mr. Douglas Song, Miss Armon Song, "God Save the Queen."

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THE RAILROAD SURVEY. Levels Being Taken on First Street for the Track. The first tangible steps toward the carrying out of the scheme for railway connection with the Mainland authorized by the passage of the Terminal Railway Bill were taken today.

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Silk Waist, To-Day, Wednesday. We will sell to-day 58 Silk Waists, Tucked Taffeta Waists, Fancy Taffetas, Black Satin, etc. You will have to come early to secure one.

Picture Sale Thursday. 100 VARIOUS KINDS OF FRAMES, were \$1.50 to \$2.25. Thursday, were \$1.00. 10 PAIR FRAMED PICTURES, worth \$5.00 each. Thursday, \$2.50.

WANTED—A girl for candy store. Apply corner Government and Yates streets. WANTED—Several girls. Apply Pacific Viagara Works, 1313 Johnson street.

FOR SALE—Good saddle or polo pony; Feather Works, cor. Fort and Blanchard. FOR SALE—Oak Farm, Lake District, 6 miles from Victoria, on West Saanich road, comprising 51 acres, nearly all cultivated, and good buildings.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, Dec. 12-3 a.m.—Owing to wire trouble on Vancouver island, no morning weather reports have been received. The indications, however, point to an approaching area of low barometric pressure which will probably cause strong winds and unsettled, rainy weather.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Another carload of fine furniture opened this week at Weller's. Music cabinets, chiffoniers, centre tables, etc. Look out for Royal Canadian Regiment concert and dance at A. O. U. W. hall Friday. Tickets at T. N. Hibben's, Army and Navy Cigar Store and Victoria Book & Stationery Co.

City Band's large orchestra for dance, this evening.

It is no hardship to select a Christmas gift at Weller's. Their immense show rooms are filled with useful and appropriate articles to suit all classes. Arranged for easy choosing.

The Fernwood Young Men's Association are evidently bound to be absent with the times, having purchased a choice building lot on North Chatham street car line, upon which it is their intention to erect in the near future a building suitable to the requirements of a first-class, up-to-date club.

Next City Band Concert and Dance in A. O. U. W. Hall, this evening.

The examinations for entrance into the Victoria High school will be held in South Park school on Monday next under the supervision of the superintendent of education. They will probably continue two days. The Normal school entrance examinations will take place on Monday also at the Victoria High school. The subjects will be the same as in the case of the present third-class teachers' certificates.

Applications for invitations for the regimental ball are being received every night at the drill hall.

The lists will be closed on Monday, the 17th, at 10:30 p.m., and positively no applications will be received after that time. The committee have arranged to have the cloaks, etc., checked at the entrance, and will charge the sum of twenty-five cents for every male guest. Everyone must comply with this arrangement, or else the entrance will be denied appearance to have imprudently shown around under the benches, etc.

On Friday evening in the school-room of the First Presbyterian church the Fourth Victoria Company of the Boys' Brigade will hold a concert, at which the following ladies and gentlemen will take part: Misses Field, McKenzie, Munroe and Gill; Messrs. Semple, Kitchin, Huxtable, Monroe, McKenzie, Brown and others. Selections will be given in the largest phonograph in Victoria, and drills by three squads of Boys' Brigade, under various officers, will take place. The programme begins sharp at 8 p.m.

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CONCERT MANAGER MISSING.

Sailor Said to Have Absconded With Proceeds of Last Week's Entertainment. George P. Mercer, an able seaman of H. M. S. Warspite, has been missing since Wednesday night. He is the man under whose management the concert was given in the A. O. U. W. hall last Tuesday evening, and who took the part of the villain in the play, "The Queen's Diamond," then produced. The entertainment was given for the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Esquimalt, and as manager, Mercer is said to have at least fallen into the possession of \$105 of the proceeds. Hence it is that his whereabouts is now causing uneasiness. He was last seen in Victoria on Wednesday night. His leave aboard expired at 7 o'clock on the morning of the same day, and as he had not put in an appearance in the meanwhile, he left himself liable to arrest by the naval authorities. On Wednesday night, however, he is believed to have taken his departure on the Sound steamer.

Prize Waltz and Tombola, this evening, by City Band, at A.O.U.W. Hall.

It is altogether probable that the grocery establishments of the city will upon the termination of the year, as will be remembered an effort was made to secure an agreement among the grocers to this effect some time ago, but nothing came of it as certain of the retailers refused to abolish the system. It is understood, however, that an agreement will shortly be entered into for the discontinuance of the use of the stamps.

HAD A ROPE LADDER.

Lad Well Equipped for Nightly Depredations—Will Appear in Court Tomorrow.

Of late there appears to have been an epidemic of refractoriness among some of the small boys in the city, only recently a number having been apprehended for the theft of some articles from a plumbing establishment. There is now in the lock-up a seventeen-year-old lad named Norman Davis, who will appear before the tribunal tomorrow on the charge of having burglarized tools in his possession.

It appears that while making an investigating tour of the city yesterday morning, Detective Perdue and Sgt. Walker observed a young man standing in the shadow in the corner of Blanchard and "Yon" streets. He was immediately accosted, and under his coat the officers noticed the glimmer of steel. Further scrutiny disclosed the fact that he had a carpenter's brace concealed under his coat. This was a sufficiently suspicious circumstance to justify a closer search, and they were rewarded by the discovery of a ten-foot rope ladder and a number of tools, including a chisel. There was a very well developed suggestion of the dime novel burglar in these circumstances, and the neatly executed receipt that the lad manufactured out of oak to serve the double purpose of pipe barrel and candle holder might have been the production of an ingenious brain, were it not for the fact that the lad had not put his ladder to any practical use, and was probably in a sort of confessional "fit of not to do" state of mind when the eagle eye of the officers fell upon him.

CHINESE WOMAN'S SUICIDE.

Wife of Lee Chung, Who Is Away, Took Opium With Fatal Results. About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, a Chinese woman, the wife of a Chinaman named Lee Chung, who is at present on the mainland, committed suicide by taking a heavy dose of opium in her apartment over the tailor shop of Kam Cheong, on Cormorant street.

BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE.

Case of Ah Tim, Charged With Cutting and Wounding, Resumed—Out on Bail.

The case of Ah Tim, as he is called, but more correctly speaking Young Tim, who is charged with cutting and wounding another Chinaman named Kwong, was resumed in the police court this morning. The attendance consisted almost exclusively of Chinese, and they appeared to be unusually interested.

The star witness was A. H. Chung, whose evidence was infinitely stronger than that of the prosecution. The man who was wounded. This latter worthy knows next to nothing about the matter, and said yesterday he did not remember seeing a knife or weapon in the hands of the accused. Ah Chung, however, gave evidence this morning that he did see the accused with a knife, and furthermore that the latter hit him (witness) over the head with a lifter when he interceded. The lifter was produced and identified, while the scar on Ah Chung's forehead testified to the ardor with which the blow must have been struck.

Ah Chung has the distinction of being one of the very few Chinese in the city who are not "chautones," he having hailed from Shanghai. The case was remanded, and the accused was admitted to \$500 bail.

Jaka Donovan was charged with drunkenness. This being not an unusual charge against Donovan, he was fined \$7.50 or fifteen days' imprisonment with hard labor. A hack-driver paid \$5 for leaving his steed unattended on the street. The lads B. Mills and C. Hansen were called on this charge of theft. The former was discharged with a caution, but the latter did not appear and will probably be gathered in on a warrant.

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her apparently into despair. An Inquest is being held this afternoon. The jury for the inquest are as follows: The coroner, J. C. Palmer, Scott Miller, Wm. Shawing, Walter Kippen and Herbert Bostwick. The witnesses are Mrs. Sing Chang Sing, Mrs. Lin Sing and Jay Kan Gee.

A concert will be given on Monday evening, December 17th, in the Oddfellows' hall, Spring Ridge, under the auspices of the First Presbyterian church choir and Knox Presbyterian church. The entertainment will commence at 8 o'clock with a cantata entitled "The Crusader," by the choir of the First Presbyterian church, led by J. G. Brown, after which an excellent programme of miscellaneous selections will be rendered.

Useful Presents for Men

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Alaska Sable Collar, 7.25
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She—George is an artist, and at the top of the ladder. He—Yes, I saw him painting a roof yesterday.

Provincial News

LADNER. A quiet but very pretty wedding took place on Friday evening, the 7th inst., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis, Ladner, when the Rev. E. Mary joined in the holy bonds of matrimony John Ellis, of Ladner, and Miss Emily Louise Brodie, of Markdale, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis will make their home at Ladner.

NANAIMO. Since C. P. R. cars began to arrive at Ladysmith real estate operations at Ladysmith have shown a most remarkable activity. It is rumored that Mr. Hawthornthwaite is to have opposition in the by-election.

VANCOUVER. Nothing definite resulted from the meeting of the city council on Monday afternoon, to consider propositions asking assistance in the establishment of a line of steamers on the Alaskan route. When the meeting was called to order it was found that the only proposition before the council was that of Messrs. Johnson & Burnett, who agreed to put on two good steamers on condition that the city grant them 5 per cent. interest for seven years on \$300,000. It was decided to call another meeting on Thursday afternoon next.

At Monday's council meeting the mayor called attention to the fact that prisoners in the city jail were fettered in irons.

PIMPLES.

These Troublesome, Disfiguring Blemishes Can Be Removed by the All Powerful Blood Purifying Burdock Blood Bitters.

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which in some cases were not removed during their term of office. This matter had been brought to his attention by the mother of one of the boys confined there, and his warning thought it was a subject worthy of investigation. It certainly seemed inhuman that prisoners should be treated in that way. It was decided to bring the matter to the attention of the police committee at the next meeting.

Two Japanese, Hanay Sato and Man-aka Hamaguchi, were arrested on Monday, charged with uttering raised bills. A couple of weeks ago, it will be remembered, a Jap made some purchases at Mr. Moore's tobacco store on Cordova street, with a ten dollar American bill, which was afterwards found to be a one, very cleverly raised. The man was arrested, and after undergoing interrogation at the police station was released. His story was that a countryman of his had drawn the bill with some others from a bank at Nanaimo. The bill was retained, and the Jap allowed to depart pending investigation. A story now comes from Nanaimo that some Japs have been passing raised bills in the town, and the circumstances connected with the matter led the police to become suspicious of the Jap who had similar money in his possession here. The two Japs named were, therefore, gathered in.

G. E. McKean, of the Sutherland House, returned from South Africa on Sunday, having been invalided home with a bullet wound in the arm and a broken leg as the result of his share in the engagement at Garden Hill. After he had been shot through the arm, McKean's horse was shot under him; horse and rider fell heavily to the ground, McKean after four months in the field, he was invalided out of active service, and inflammation setting in to add to his other troubles, McKean has had a very long hospital experience since. Although a Vancouver man, McKean joined the Sutherland House at Calgary, but now that he has returned he intends to settle down in the Terminal City.

J. Webb, hotel proprietor, North Bend, died on Saturday night in St. Paul's hospital after a brief illness. He leaves a widow and five children. Mr. Webb was well and favorably known in Vancouver.

Mining News

Ladner. Foreman Sharpe, who had charge of the work on the Canadian Ladner up the North Fork during the summer, now has some work on the Elipse. The Trilone Fraction is located on the Silver Cup hill on the south fork of the Ladner and is situated on the famous Trilone lead, in fact it is the adjoining claim to the famous Trilone mine. There are a number of wonderful claims located on this same mineral belt, such as the Nettle L. Row, Towser, Silver Cup, Trilone, Trilone No. 2 and Cromwell. The owners while doing prospecting work on the property discovered a fine lead from three to four feet in width and well mineralized throughout, and one of the owners chipped a piece from the surface and brought down same to Assayer Shannon, getting returns of \$14 in gold and \$140.07 in silver, besides copper and lead.

East Kootenay. Paul Handley, who has the contract for hauling ore for the Sullivan company, is busy building the shaft for that purpose. The Pollard boys, who have claims on Palmer mountain, adjoining the Hamilton boys, are running a 200-foot tunnel this winter on the property. Work has been commenced on the Golden Pledge mineral claim, situated on Taddy creek. Wm. Eversill will have charge of the work, which will consist of running a 100-foot tunnel.

The Boundary. The Mand West, which adjoins the Bodie on the south, is still driving its crosscut tunnel. It is in over 250 feet, it is uncertain how much further it will have to run to reach the ledge, but it is believed that not more than 50 feet will be necessary.

The Oxford is a prospect of merit. It is being developed by a crosscut tunnel, which has been driven 125 feet. Its face is still about 100 feet from the ledge. The outcrop is large and the ore of high grade. There has not been enough work done on the surface to determine the width of the ledge. P. Porter, one of the heavy owners of the Betta and Hesperus group, on Harley mountain, was in Grand Forks recently, looking after some business connected with the letting of a contract for a large amount of work to be done on that property. It is reported that the new work will consist of a long tunnel to tap the lead, but Mr. Porter was unwilling to make any definite announcements until the matter was finally decided.

The properties of the Dominion Copper Company—the Brooklyn, Stewinwin, Idaho, etc.—is now given over to be in operation on or before January 1st, says the Pioneer. The machinery has been installed at the Carnal mine, and is working successfully. It is not yet known how many men will be employed at the property during the winter. This will largely depend upon whether the road is completed in order to admit of ore being hauled to Midway for shipment to the pyritic smelter. The management of the mine has just completed a sleigh road from the mine to a point opposite Rendell, and will continue it to meet with the West-Fork wagon road should the survey party get within reasonable distance in the near future. The Bodie mine, on Tereza creek, is to be worked on an extensive scale during the coming winter. The shaft will be continued down until it intersects the tunnel to ventilate the mine. The main tunnel has been driven 325 feet, and is being pushed about three feet each 24 hours. There are some stragglers of quartz in the face of the tunnel, and it seems quite probable that the ledge may be cut at any time, though it may be possible that it is yet 30 or 40 feet away.

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### SHIPPING NEWS

#### VICTORIA TIDES

By F. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.5 feet above the all of the Esquimaux dry dock.

Thursday, Dec. 13.		Friday, Dec. 14.	
Time	Height above zero.	Time	Height above zero.
1:00 a.m.	4.0 feet.	1:40 a.m.	5.1 feet.
4:30 a.m.	8.2 feet.	5:00 a.m.	8.0 feet.
8:00 a.m.	5.3 feet.	8:40 a.m.	4.7 feet.
8:45 p.m.	6.7 feet.	11:50 p.m.	5.6 feet.

Because of the ice formed over the Skeena to such an extent that navigation is impracticable, the steamer Choptain is down from the North to spend the winter. Her master and owner, Capt. George Cunningham, says he found it impossible to take his steamer up to her regular winter quarters on the river and accordingly came down here. He reports that conditions in Simpson were never before as they are now, and many of the inhabitants are almost, if not quite, in a state of want. The reason of this he attributes to the strike of the fishermen on the Fraser last summer. In this Skeena fishermen took a competition part with the result that they are now financially embarrassed. The residents of Massett, he reports, are also similarly circumstanced, though being disappointed in getting their annual supplies. These are now lying on the wharf at Georgetown and the steamer Nal, on which they depended for the transportation of the freight, is now lying in the upper harbor, she having, through stress of weather and other circumstances, abandoned the trip. There is no other steaming now in the North sufficiently large or seaworthy enough to make the voyage, and as a result the Massett folk will have to rely on the Victoria steamers for any freight which is likely to reach them this winter.

Darling, November, an individual named John Arnold Burr, night man for the United States Express Company, at Green Bay, Wisconsin, disappeared rather abruptly with something like \$15,000 that did not belong to him. The general superintendent of the company is naturally very anxious to see Mr. Burr, and the local police have consequently received a circular to keep "their warts" open.

Steamer Charming left Vancouver at 1:30 p.m. and connected with the train.

#### PNEUMONIA PREVENTED.

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and the gripe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thos. Whitford & Co., 290 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the gripe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of the gripe to result in pneumonia." For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

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#### JOINT CHINA NOTE.

Powers Agree to Proposal Submitted by Count von Buelow.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 12.—The negotiations of the powers in regard to the joint China note were concluded satisfactorily yesterday, all agreeing to the conditions identical—outlined by Count von Buelow, the Imperial Chancellor of Germany, on November 19th, with the exception of the introductory clause, saying the demands are irrevocable, which is eliminated.

#### NANAIMO NOTES.

(Special to the Times.) Nanaimo, Dec. 12.—W. H. Potter, of Vancouver, is here investigating the feasibility of a telephone route to Victoria which was lately proposed. Superintendent Robins left this morning on a flying trip to England. He will be back early next year.

#### GERTRUDE IS SAFE.

(Associated Press.) San Francisco, Dec. 12.—The German ship Gertrude, which put to sea last week from Astoria on her way to the United Kingdom and later was reported as having foundered with all on board, has been sighted off this port.

#### THE CZAR.

(Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—The Czar's physicians announce that His Majesty's malady has run its course, and that his recovery is proceeding in the regular course.

#### ELEVATED TO PEERAGE.

(Associated Press.) London, Dec. 12.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, and Sir Matthew White Ridley, who was home secretary in the last cabinet, have been elevated to the peerage.

#### Personal.

John Hendry, a lumber man, of Vancouver is in the city. He attended the funeral of lumber men who waited on the government this afternoon in regard to the rebate on lumber exported from British Columbia.

N. W. Bullock, Miss Bullock and E. Grafton, of Salt Spring Island, are registered at the Detroit.

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### Sporting News

#### ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE OF JUNIOR LEAGUE.

The executive of the Junior League will hold a meeting on Friday afternoon in the Young Women's Christian Association rooms, Rae street, for the purpose of allowing those who have protests to enter against any of the games a hearing.

#### COLUMBIAS V. WARSPITE.

In all probability a game will be played at Newcom 11th street Saturday between the Columbias and a team picked from the crew of H. M. S. Warspite, as a challenge has been issued by the former. The Columbias are also trying to make arrangements with some local aggregation for a game to be played at the Hill on Christmas day.

#### ANOTHER GAME AT WORK POINT.

The Victoria sealer football team will play a game at Work Point on Saturday against the R. A. players. The Royal Artillery have been practicing regularly, and it was at their hands that the Columbias met defeat last Saturday. Rivarly, because of this victory has been stimulated, and a fast and exciting game is expected on Saturday afternoon. The match will commence promptly at 3 o'clock.

#### THE WHEEL.

##### HOW SCORE STANDS.

(Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 12.—The score in the six days bicycle race at Madison Square Garden at 8 o'clock this morning was: Elkes and McFarland, 1,100 miles 2 laps; Sinar and Gougouitz, 1,100 miles 2 laps; Turville and Gimm, 1,100 miles 1 lap; Walker and Stinson, 1,100 miles 9 laps; Babcock and Aaronson, 1,100 miles 9 laps; Fisher and Frederick, 1,100 miles 7 laps; Kaiser and Byser, 1,100 miles 3 laps.

The score at 2 p. m. was: Elkes and McFarland, 1,100 miles 2 laps; Sinar and Gougouitz, 1,100 miles 6 laps; Turville and Gimm, Walker and Stinson, Babcock and Aaronson, 1,100 miles 3 laps; Fisher and Frederick, 1,100 miles 1 lap; Kaiser and Byser, 1,100 miles 9 laps.

#### SKATING.

##### CHAMPIONSHIP RACES.

(Associated Press.) Montreal, Dec. 12.—Rubenstein, the well known Canadian champion fancy skater, and a member of the world's championship races committee, received word yesterday that the world's speed skating championship races are to be held as follows: World's speed championship, at Davos Platz, Switzerland, January 19th and 20th. European championship at Buda Pest, Austria, January 29th, and the American championship at Montreal February 4th. The distances for these races are 500, 1,500, 5,000 and 10,000 metres.

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#### NOTICE.

In response to a requisition signed by ten members, a Special Meeting of the British Columbia Agricultural Association will be held at the Council Chamber, at the City Hall, in the City of Victoria, on Thursday, the 27th day of December, 1900, for the purpose of electing officers and to arrange for an Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition at Victoria in September next.

Dated the 11th day of December, 1900.

W. F. BEST, Secretary.

#### BIRTHS.

FAYBEN—At 30 View street, on the 12th inst., the wife of E. Taylor, of a daughter.

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